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House— W. C. Silver.
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J. Y. Payzant.
George Mitchell.

Officers and Staff.

SUPERINTENDENT.

C. F. Fraser, M. A.

TEACHERS.

Literary Department—Miss C. R. Frame.
Mr. S. R. Hussy.
Miss J. Howe.
Miss B. Cumming, B.A.
Miss Alma Campbell.

Languages—Prof. J. Lanos.

Music—Prof. A. M. Chisholm and Miss B. Studd.

Violin—Prof. Siebelts.

Cornet—T. Covey.

Clarionet—Mr. H. Hanson

Music-Reader—Miss Laura Owen.

VoiceCulture—Miss R. Corbin.

Girls' Work Department—Miss J. Allison.

TUNING INSTRUCTOR.

D. M. Reid.

TRADE INSTRUCTOR.

David A. Baird.

GYMNASTIC INSTRUCTOR.

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Dr. A. W. Lindsay.

ACTING HOUSEKEEPER.

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Dr. S. Dodge.

DENTAL SURGEON.

Dr. A. C. Cogswell.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The Board of Managers have much pleasure in submitting to the members of the Corporation, to the Governments and Legislatures interested, and to the friends of the Blind, the Twenty-Eighth Annual Report of the School; and in doing so, they desire to express their gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings which the School has enjoyed, and for the great and growing interest that is being evinced in the welfare of the Blind.

ATTENDANCE. The number of pupils in attendance shows a small increase over that of last year, being 106 pupils in 1898 as against 102 pupils in 1897. It is a matter of satisfaction to your Board to know that such a large number of boys and girls are enjoying the educational advantages which the School affords and are being trained for lives of activity and usefulness.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The Superintendent's Report deals fully with the work in the several departments of the School, and shows that the education and training given to the pupils is of a practical character, and that the physical, mental and moral well-being of each pupil is duly considered.

TEACHING STAFF. It is with pleasure that your Board expresses its appreciation of the able work done during the year by the members of the teaching staff. Few Schools for the Blind can lay claim to having more highly educated or more efficient teachers than those on the staff of this School, and certainly no Institution could have secured a number of teachers more devoted to their work and to the welfare of the Blind.

Graduates.—In June last three young women and seven young men graduated from the School and received diplomas. Six of these are thoroughly trained teachers of vocal and instrumental music, three are pianoforte tuners, and one, Miss Campbell, of Sussex, N. B., after having been trained as a Kindergartner, has taken an assistant's place in the Kindergarten department of the School. These ten graduates are well-qualified to maintain themselves, and in fact nearly all are now successfully earning their own livelihoods.

Domestic Department.—During the past year several changes have taken place in the Domestic staff of the School, but the work of this department has nevertheless been satisfactorily carried on, and the comfort of both teachers and pupils has received every attention. Owing to ill-health, the bright and energetic Matron, Mrs. H. E. Dudley, felt obliged to resign her position, which she did on the first of November, and for the same reason the Steward, Mr. G. N. Towell, had to give up the care and oversight of the kitchen and dining-rooms. No permanent appointments have yet been made to fill these positions, but the acting Matron and Housekeeper are giving entire satisfaction, and are conducting their departments in a thoroughly efficient manner. The motto of our domestic department is "Comfort, Convenience and Economy," and by strict adherence to the principles of this motto the household, numbering 123 persons, enjoys a home life such as is seldom known in large establishments.

Nova Scotia.—Twenty-six girls and thirty-seven boys from the Province of Nova Scotia are now attending the School, and for their education the Legislature and Municipalities of the Province make liberal provision. There has been a small increase in the number of Nova Scotian pupils, but it is probable that nearly all the blind persons in the Province of a schoolable age are now under instruction.

New Brunswick.—The number of pupils from the Province of New Brunswick shows a small increase over that of last year, there now being in attendance ten girls and nineteen boys. For the education of these twenty-nine pupils the Legislature and Municipalities of New Brunswick have made the same provision as in Nova Scotia. The following extract from the Annual Report of the Chief Superintendent of Schools for New Brunswick will be gratifying to the friends of the Institution and interesting to the parents of blind children.

Doctor Inch says:—"In October last I had the privilege of visiting the School for the Blind in Halifax, and was deeply impressed with the excellence of the work there carried on under the able supervision of Principal C. F. Fraser and his devoted staff of teachers. I found the buildings and grounds commodious, the

apartments comfortably furnished, scrupulously tidy, and well adapted in every way both for the work of the several departments of study and industry, and as a cheerful and healthy home for the children. In the branches of ordinary school work the pupils seemed quite as alert and proficient as children of the same age in our best public schools. In music, both instrumental and vocal, many of the pupils showed the results of careful training, combined with more than ordinary talent. In several of the handicrafts, such as the making of brushes, willow baskets, the cane-seating of chairs, and some kinds of electrical work, such excellent specimens were exhibited, and so much proficiency shown, that it required the evidence of one's own sight in watching the operations to convince him that the fingers of the Blind could work so deftly and produce such results. The value of teachers and mechanical instruction in transforming those who would be otherwise dependent upon the charity of others into effective workers and wealth-producers cannot be over-estimated. New Brunswick has made no mistake in uniting with Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and Newfoundland in maintaining a School for the Blind which is a credit to these Provinces."

Prince Edward Island. Prince Edward Island has at present one girl and five boys attending the School, and while there are, no doubt, more children on the Island who should be receiving an education, the Government and Legislature of that Province have not yet broadened their system of free education so as to include all of those who are deprived of sight. The Superintendent of the School, with a number of pupils, visited Charlottetown during the session of the Legislature in April last. Three public meetings were held, and resolutions endorsing the free education of the Blind were carried unanimously. Owing to the lateness of the session, the Government took no definite action, but the City Council of Charlottetown, realizing the justice of the claim of those who are blind to a free education, voluntarily supplemented the Provincial grant to the School. The Government of P. E. Island now has the question of the free education of the Blind under consideration, and it is hoped, that notwithstanding the many urgent demands for Provincial aid with which the Government is beset it will find a way for making education in this School free to every blind child in P. E. Island.

Newfoundland.—Two girls and six boys from the colony of Newfoundland are attending the School, for whose education the Legislature of Newfoundland makes an annual per capitum grant. In the last report of the School your Board respectfully called the attention of the Government of Newfoundland to the fact that there should be a larger number of pupils from that colony under

instruction, and requested an assurance that with the increase of Newfoundland pupils the grant from the colony would be increased in the same ratio. In March last we received a very encouraging letter from the Colonial Secretary of Newfoundland to the effect that the Government of Newfoundland would have much pleasure in increasing the grant to the Institution in the same ratio as the increase in the number of Newfoundland pupils, provided that each pupil seeking admission should obtain an order for admission from the Colonial Secretary. May we not hope that the Government and Legislature of Newfoundland will enact a law making education free to the Blind of that colony, just as it is now free to children with sight.

Building Fund.—We have much pleasure in stating that by the subscriptions of the friends of the School, the Building Fund has now reached the sum of $22,619.16, of which $20,795.03 has been paid in. The cost of our spacious west wing, with the alterations to the main building, has been $23,124.59. It will thus be seen that with new subscriptions of $505.43, and the paying in of the amount already subscribed, we will be able to wipe out the balance of debt which still stands against the building.

Treasurer's Statement.—The Treasurer's statement herewith submitted shows the receipts on current account to have been $17,039.85, and the expenses $16,896.08, leaving a small balance in the bank to the credit of the School.

Acknowledgements.—In addition to the donations elsewhere acknowledged, your Board gratefully acknowledges the receipt of $200.00 from the estate of the late Lady Kenny.

The thanks of the Board of Managers are due Doctors Lindsay, Dodge, Kirkpatrick and Cogswell. These gentlemen gladly give their services to the pupils free of charge, and are ever ready to render them such professional aid as they may require. The untiring care of Dr. Lindsay for the twenty-six cases of measles mentioned by the Superintendent is deserving of our special thanks.

We are also indebted to Doctor Dodge for his kindly examination of the eyes of three little children who were too young to enter the School. One child was operated upon by Doctor Dodge and the improvemeet in his sight has been so satisfactory that it is probable he will be able to obtain his education in the public schools.

The Board of Managers also desires to express its thanks to Mr. H. B. Clarke, the Orpheus Club, and to the Halifax Symphony Orchestra, for kindly admitting the pupils to the lectures, concerts, etc., under their respective management. These entertainments are a source of great pleasure to the pupils, and are of great educative value.

The Railways and other transportation companies have our

thanks for the special rates granted to the pupils, and for the care and consideration shown to the younger children by their respective officials.

The Fraser Clock. The Managers, in conclusion, have much pleasure in referring to the beautiful and valuable chiming clock, now standing in the corridor of the School. This was presented to the Institution by the pupils, graduates and friends of the Blind, to mark the close of C. F. Fraser's twenty fifth year as Superintendent. Mr. Fraser's services are almost indispensable to the School, and he has, under God's Providence, since the first inception of the work, and throughout these many long years, been a leading factor in the wonderful growth and rapid expansion of this valuable Institution, and the handsome clock is a fitting token of the regard in which he is held.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. SILVER,
President.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the President and Board of Managers of the School for the Blind:

GENTLEMEN,—

The table of attendance herewith submitted shows that 122 blind persons have been under instruction during the past year, 76 of whom were males and 46 females. Of these 16 have since graduated or left the school, making the total number registered December 1st, 1898, 106, of whom 67 are males, and 39 females. Of these 63 are from the Province of Nova Scotia, 29 from New Brunswick, 6 from P. E. Island, and 8 from Newfoundland.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

	Boys.	Girls.	Adults.	Total.
Registered Dec. 1st, 1897.....	63	37	2	102
Entered during the year.....	10	9	1	20
Graduated or remained at home....	9	7	0	16
Registered Dec. 1st, 1898.....	64	39	3	106

Three Familiar Questions.—During the past year a very large number of people have visited the School, and have become interested in the education of the blind.

Among the many questions which the officers and teachers are frequently asked are the following:—

Is the Institution self-supporting? Do the parents of the pupils have to pay for them while in the School? Are all the pupils totally blind, or can some of them see light? These questions are so frequently and persistently asked by visitors to the School that it may not be amiss to answer them in this report, in the hope that by so doing the public may the better appreciate the circumstances under which the work of the Institution is carried on.

How the School is Maintained.—It is to be presumed that the question as to whether the Institution is self-supporting is called forth by the visitor seeing the baskets, brushes, and other articles made by the pupils, which are offered for sale. As a matter of

fact, the returns from the sale of articles made in our girls' and boys' work departments barely cover the cost of tools and materials used in their manufacture, and hence the Institution derives no income from this source.

The current revenue of the School is mainly drawn from three sources, as follows :

First, a per capita grant of one hundred and fifty dollars for each pupil in attendance. In Nova Scotia and New Brunswick one half of this amount is paid by the Government of the Province, and the remaining half by the Municipality in which the pupil has a legal settlement. In Newfoundland the grant is paid annually from the Provincial Treasury, while in P. E. Island the grant of the Province is supplemented by that of the City of Charlottetown.

Second, the interest upon investments. The invested funds of the school have been derived from the bequests of benevolent and public spirited men and women ; and as the Treasurer's statement will show, the interest upon these funds forms a considerable portion of the revenues of the school.

Third, subscriptions and donations. The subscriptions of the members of the Corporation, and the donations of other friends and organizations have been, and are, of great assistance in carrying forward the work. Were it not for these contributions the pupils would be deprived of many of the advantages they enjoy.

Larger Income gives Greater Advantages. As will be seen by the foregoing, the School is maintained by Provincial and Municipal grants and by private benefactions. By observing strict economy, the current expenses are kept well within the revenue, and at the same time the pupils are given excellent advantages. With a larger income these advantages could be increased, and our pupils would be better prepared for the battle of life. This we would ask the friends of the Blind to keep well in mind.

Free Education. The question as to whether the parents of the pupils have to pay for them while in the School is a very natural one to those who do not realize that education has been free to the blind in the Province of Nova Scotia for the past sixteen years, and practically free to the blind of New Brunswick, P. E. Island and Newfoundland for upwards of ten years. This being the case, the parents of pupils are no more called upon to pay for the education of their children in this School than they are called on to pay for the education of their children with sight in the public schools.

The friends of the blind in the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland have every reason to feel proud of the manner in which the Governments and Legislatures have dealt with the education of those who are deprived of sight. The blind are now placed upon

the same educational footing as their more favored brothers and sisters. In this respect the educational system of the country has been kept well abreast of the times.

Blindness, Total or Partial.—In answering the questions with respect to the degree of sight, or as to the total blindness of particular pupils, one cannot help being impressed with the popular belief that no one is blind who sees light, and with the idea that this is a school for the blind, and hence it is a school for those who cannot see light. Of the 106 pupils now in attendance at the Institution 25 are totally blind, while the remaining 81 have more or less vision, some being able to distinguish colors and move about with ease, while others can barely distinguish the rays of the noonday sun. So far as education is concerned, these boys and girls are all practically blind, that is no one of them has sufficient sight to enable him to study in the public schools, and this is the only school in which any of them can be trained and educated so as to become useful men and women. Several of the pupils now attending the Institution were within the past two years attending the public schools in the community in which their parents reside. Their eyes, perhaps naturally weak, failed under the strain of constant daily use in the schools, and this fact would lead us to consider whether, in the interests of the public generally, periodical tests should not be made of the eyesight of growing children.

Periodical Tests.—In the City of Minneapolis a test of this kind was recently made under the guidance of an oculist. The principals of the schools tested the eyesight of 23,049 children, and found to their surprise that the sight of 7,293 children was defective. Many beneficial results have been the outcome of this test, and several of the children who might have become permanently blind have, through treatment, retained a fair share of eyesight.

Recommendation.—While we aim at educating those who are so far deprived of sight as to be unable to study in the public schools, we are quite as anxious to prevent any unnecessary addition to the numbers of those who are permanently blind. Such an inspection and test of the eyesight of children in the public schools as has been suggested here, could be made at a very small expense, and the matter is deserving the earnest consideration of our legislators and those directing the educational system of the country.

The Education of the Blind, Past and Present. No branch of pedagogics is more interesting than that of the education of the blind, and no branch of the science of teaching has, during the nineteenth century, shown more marked development.

If, at the commencement of this century, an intelligent and

well trained teacher had unexpectedly been placed in charge of a class of pupils deprived of eyesight, he would have found that his best efforts were required to secure even the most meagre results. All his knowledge of the ordinary methods of teaching would have counted for naught, and he would have been obliged to content himself with giving his pupils that one-sided education which would result from the memorization of such facts and figures as he might give them orally.

Long years of experience in teaching those who are deprived of sight, and the invention, improvement, and adaptation of special appliances, have made the work of a modern teacher in a school of this kind very satisfactory in results. The loss of sight no longer causes the tree of knowledge to be wrapped in a cloud of darkness; for by the development of the senses of touch and hearing blindness can be so overcome that an intelligent pupil can just as assuredly count upon his success as a student as if he enjoyed the most perfect vision. The pupils in the Institution pursue their studies as do other boys and girls with sight. Some show marked intelligence, others plod steadily on, while the progress of others show them not to be possessed of so high an order of intelligence.

A Visit to the School.—A visit to our schoolrooms, music rooms, tuning department, girls' work class, or boys' workshop, is always of interest to visitors. After visiting the Kindergarten and enjoying the bright and pleasing exercises of the little ones, they move from room to room and listen to the instruction of classes in all the ordinary branches of an English education. A visit to Miss C. R. Frame's class in English Literature, or in the Geography of the Dominion of Canada, proves that the pupils have an intelligent idea of the life and poems of Henry Longfellow, and an equally clear idea of the extent and resources of this great country. Miss Frame is herself an enthusiastic student and an expert teacher.

Passing to Miss Cumming's class room, we listen to the readings of a number of pupils, and note with pleasure the well-modulated voices, and the clear articulation of the words, or we hear Miss Cumming giving her pupils an object lesson, or a bright and interesting lesson in history. As a teacher, Miss Cumming is wide awake and has the faculty of keeping her pupils' interest thoroughly alive.

The mathematical class room is supposedly dry and uninviting, but a visit to Mr. S. R. Hussy's classes in Arithmetic, Geometry, or Algebra, will serve to prove that these studies can be made most attractive to pupils, and that Mr. Hussy teaches them after the most approved modern methods.

In the Kindergarten, so efficiently conducted by Miss Howe and her assistant, Miss Campbell, and throughout each grade of the

School, steady, progressive, systematic work is being carried on, and every care is taken to keep the School in all respects up to the level of the reputation it has gained. Prof. Lanos has throughout the year, with the assistance of Miss Cumming and Miss Howe, continued his classes in French, and the results have been most encouraging.

Typewriters.—The latest departure from the ordinary routine of the School is the introduction of the teaching of typewriting. Now that the manufacturers of standard typewriters have decided to use one keyboard, known as the universal keyboard, a pupil or graduate who has received instruction can write with ease upon any make of typewriter. This opens new possibilities for the occupation of those who are deprived of sight. Two New Century Caligraphs have been purchased by the Institution.

Instrumental and Vocal Music.—Prof. A. M. Chisholm, with a corps of able assistants, has charge of the boys and girls musical departments. Day by day the pupils are being carefully instructed in music, and are being trained as teachers of the pianoforte, cabinet organ, or voice ; in addition to which a number of them receive special lessons in violin, cornet, and clarionet playing.

By dint of carefully directed study and hard work the majority of these pupils will, when they graduate, be in a position to comfortably maintain themselves as music teachers. The success which has attended those who have graduated from this department is a constant stimulus to the pupils, and each one counts himself fortunate when he can obtain an extra hour's practice.

Prof. Chisholm finds in this department ample employment for his skill and energy as a teacher of music, and in the success of his pupils he finds his highest reward.

Piano Tuning.—In the three rooms set apart for the teaching of pianoforte tuning, a number of the young men are constantly engaged in learning to tune unisons and octaves, to form equal temperaments, to replace broken piano strings, and otherwise to receive instruction in the repairing of pianofortes and cabinet organs. By the careful training of the hand and ear the pupil becomes an expert tuner, and gains a thorough knowledge of the mechanism of different makes of instruments. Mr. D. M. Reid, the painstaking teacher in this department, has had the satisfaction of graduating a large number of pupils who have subsequently found remunerative employment in various parts of the Maritime Provinces.

Non-Musical Pupils.—There are of course among our pupils quite a number of boys and girls who have not sufficient musical taste or ability to insure their success as teachers or pianoforte tuners. Some of these look forward to going into business, but

the majority are better satisfied to receive such technical training as is imparted in our work departments.

Handicrafts.—The handicrafts that can be taught to the Blind are limited in number, but such work as they can do at all they can learn to do thoroughly well. Mr. D. A. Baird, the competent instructor, turns out from his workshop excellent brush and basket-makers, and cane chair-seaters.

Some of the graduates from the workshop have secured sales for their wares in and near their own homes and have done well, but others who have not been so fortunately located, or who perhaps lack the ability to transact their own business, have found it difficult to dispose of their baskets and brushes, and to maintain themselves. This state of affairs is obviated in many countries by the establishment of working homes for the Blind, but I believe the same results can be secured without the opening of any such Institutions. We must all agree that if a blind workman can make such baskets and brushes as people require, and is nevertheless unable to market his goods, some way should be found to keep him employed and dispose of his wares. We have so far had but few instances of this kind, but when they have arisen, the difficulty has been overcome by interesting local committees in the welfare of all such persons. Were it possible for the School to have a fund to supply its graduates with materials at wholesale prices, and for an officer to make frequent visits to the localities in which the graduates referred to reside, I believe that the question of their employment could be solved in the best possible manner and their steady and remunerative employment ensured. This question should in the near future receive the consideration it deserves.

Work for the Girls.—For the girls of the School who are not musical, or who have no prospect of success as music teachers, few Schools for the Blind have much to offer in the way of technical training. It is true they can be taught to sew, crotchet and knit, and to use the sewing machine, but the articles made by them cannot be sold at a sufficient profit for them to maintain themselves. This matter has been under serious consideration in this School for many years, and we are now experimenting in a new line of work which we trust will, in a measure, meet the needs of some of our girls. The new work consists in the weaving of ribbon, macramme twine, straw, straw plait, French reeds, etc., and the making of many beautiful, fancy and useful articles. These articles are saleable, and although the instruction in these occupations is still in its experimental stage, we hope for satisfactory results. Miss Allison, our girls' work-teacher, is doing her best to make her department in every way practical and advantageous to the pupils.

General Health.—During the past year the measles became epidemic in the School, and twenty-six of the pupils were attacked by them. Fortunately, the disease was of a light type, and thanks to the treatment of Drs. Lindsay and Dodge, and the careful nursing the pupils received, none of the cases proved fatal. With the exception of this epidemic, the health of the pupils has been very satisfactory.

Physical Training.—Excellent work has been done in the physical training of our boys and girls by Sergt.-Major Long, who has proved himself a very successful instructor of the Blind and an enthusiastic teacher of gymnasium work.

Free Postage.—The marked feature in the year 1898, so far as the Blind of this country are concerned, has been the action of the Parliament of Canada in authorising Hon. Wm. Mulock, Postmaster General, to allow raised print books for the Blind to be transmitted free of cost through the mails. When it is understood that a graduate desiring to read a raised print book at his home, has to pay postage each way, and that the postage upon the twenty-five vols. of the Bible printed in Braillie, amounted to $9.60, the public will readily appreciate that this new postal regulation is a great boon to the Blind. The thanks of those who are deprived of sight are due to the Postmaster-General and to the members of the Parliament of Canada. With respect to the free transmission of embossed books here again, we find, as in so many other liberal reforms, Canada leads the World.

Conclusion.—In closing this Report, I beg to thank the members of the Board for the cordial and hearty support they have given to all efforts made to forward the interests of the Blind, and for the friendly and sincere interest they have evinced in my personal welfare. I have been permitted to serve in the capacity of Superintendent of this Institution for twenty-five years, and while I have always endeavored to work to the best of my ability for the interests of those who are deprived of sight, it is a great satisfaction to know that during this comparatively long period I have enjoyed the esteem of the Board of Managers and the confidence of the public in general. I trust that I may continue to merit and receive the same support that I have hitherto enjoyed, and that we may in the next quarter of a century be able still further to promote the welfare of the Blind of this section of Canada.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. FRASER,
Superintendent.

Register of Pupils in Attendance Dec. 31st, 1898.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Blanche Brewster	Ross Creek	Kings
Florence Flinn	Halifax City	
Julia White	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
Jennie Muise	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
Julienne LeVert	Friar's Head	Inverness
Harriet Miller	Rhodes' Corner	Lunenburg
Dora Neaves	Port Lorne	Annapolis
Josie Sperry	Petite Riviere	Lunenburg
Cora Longley	Green Harbor	Shelburne
Loretta Paton	North Wallace	Cumberland
Isabel Burgess	Sheet Harbor	Halifax
Amanda Pineo	Kentville	Kings
Minnie Wynacht	LaHave Branch	Lunenburg
Louise Muise	Bellville	Yarmouth
Eva Fogarty	Mount Uniacke	Hants
Annie George	Whitehead	Guysboro
Nellie Taylor	Halifax City	
Francis Walsh	Bridgewater	Lunenburg
Evelyn Ellis	Digby	Digby
Lulu Curtis	Onslow	Colchester
Cecelia Ehler	Queensport	Guysboro
Annie Doucet	Cheticamp	Inverness
Pearl McLeod	Halifax City	
Alice Jollimore	Upper Prospect	Halifax
Ella Fletcher	DeBert	Colchester
Clara McNeil	Glace Bay	Cape Breton
Ralph Gitlin	Isaac's Harbour	Guysboro
Hudson Smith	Trenton	Pictou
Thomas Hubley	Halifax City	
Robert Finlayson	Truro	Colchester
Ernest Ogilvie	Harbourville	Kings
Thomas Fletcher	DeBert	Colchester
Charles Kaulback	New Germany	Lunenburg
William Sterns	Liverpool	Queens
Joseph Burke	St. Peter's	Richmond

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Arch. Chisholm	Ohio	Antigonish
Alex. Duncan	Aylesford	Kings
George Melanson	Bellneck	Yarmouth
Joseph Emino	Hebb's Cross	Lunenburg
William Smith	Truro	Colchester
Harry Giffin	Isaac's Harbour	Guysboro
Peter White	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
Russel Briggs	Amherst	Cumberland
Samuel Gellar	Halifax City	
Lemuel Rushton	Londonderry	Colchester
George Slaughinwhite	Italy Cross	Lunenburg
Frank Kline	Halifax City	
Wingate Schofield	Gaspereau	Kings
Clyde Margeson	Halifax City	
Reginald West	Halifax City	
John Keefe	Canso	Guysboro
Orland Slack	Folleigh Lake	Colchester
Hiram Crosby	Bear River	Digby
Joseph Dykens	Berwick	Kings
John Swain	Port Clyde	Shelburne
Benj. Cook	Roachvale	Guysboro
Daniel Morrison	Blackbrook	Cape Breton
Wm. Chambers	Halifax City	
Samuel Hayden	Jordan Falls	Shelburne
Charles Howell	Lockport	Shelburne
Dennis Murray	Bellville	Yarmouth
John McDonald	Glassburn	Antigonish
James Rousse	Wellington	Halifax

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Martha Rankin	Chipman	Queens
Louise Blaksley	Hartland	Carleton
Lelia McGibbon	Moore's Mills	Charlotte
Celestine Cormier	Moncton	Westmoreland
Ellen McLeod	Coldbrook	St. John
Alberta Kinsella	St. John City	
Minnie Taylor	St. John City	
Nellie Smith	York Mills	York
Emma Legere	Shediac	Westmoreland
Sarah Legere	Shediac	Westmoreland
Stanley Day	Moncton	Westmoreland
Paul Duffy	Hillsboro	Albert
Sandford Upham	Prousser Brook	Albert

Name	Place.	Municipality.
Edward Riley	St. John City	
John Johnson	Chatham	Northumberland
Hollis Lindsay	Woodstock	Carleton
Wm. McLellen	St George	Charlotte
Walter Day	Moncton	Westmoreland
Albert Thibodeau	Moncton	Westmoreland
William Rankin	Chipman	Queens
Ollivier Cormier	Moncton	Westmoreland
Charles Campbell	Sussex	Kings
Robert Rankin	Chipman	Queens
Grover Livingston	Harcourt	Kent
Herbert Olsen	Bass River	Kent
Leon Duffy	Hillsboro	Albert
Edward Legere	Shediac	Westmoreland
Louis DeGrace	St. Ignatius	Kent
Frank Hannah	Moncton	Westmoreland

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Ella Casey	St. John's City
Francis Moore	Ferryland
Walter Barnes	St. John's City
Michael Parnell	Petty Cove
Edgar A. Bursey	Hants Harbour
Ralph A. Morgan	Salmon Cove
Henry Anthony	Salmon Cove
James McCarthy	Bay of Islands

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Lizzie McIntosh	Selkirk Road
Vernor Jones	Pownel.
Frank McDonald	Charlottetown
George McPherson	Charlottetown
Roy McGregor	Pownel
Arthur Rice	Charlottetown

ENTERED DURING THE YEAR.

Clara McNeil	Glace Bay, C. B.
Ella Fletcher	DeBert, N. S.
Annie Doucet	Cheticamp, N. S.
Pearl McLeod	Halifax, N. S.
Alice Jollimore	Upper Prospect, N. S.

Nellie Smith.....York Mills, N. B.
Emma Legere.....Shediac, N. B.
Sarah Legere .....Shediac, N. B.
Francis Moore .....Ferryland, Newfoundland
Samuel Hayden.....Jordan Falls, N. S.
Charles Howell .....Lockport, N. S.
James Rousse .....Wellington, N. S.
Dennis Murray .....Bellville, N. S.
John McDonald.....Glassburn, N. S.
William Chambers.....Halifax, N. S.
Leon Duffy.....Hillsboro, N. B.
Edward Legere .....Shediac, N. B.
Louis DeGrace.....St. Ignatius, N. B.
Frank Hannah.....Moncton, N. B.
James McCarthy ....Bay of Islands, Nfld.

GRADUATED OR REMAINED AT HOME.

Maude McTavish.....North Esk, N. B.
Alma Campbell .....Campbell Settlement, N. B.
Mary McDonald .....Welsford, N. B.
Maggie McArthur .....Trenton, N. S.
Lucy Gammon ....Tor Bay, N. S.
Lilian Breaker.....St. John's, Nfld.
Leah Lyons..... ..... Bare Need, Nfld.
Arthur Duffy.....Hillsboro, N. B.
James Steeves .....Moncton, N. B.
Samuel Stewart .....Westville, N. S.
George Steel.....Upper Stewiacke, N. S.
John Muise.....Tusket Hill Road, N. S.
Edward Blackburn .....Halifax, N. S.
George Corning .....Brookville, N. S.
Stephen Jarvis.....Weymouth Bridge, N. S.
Thomas Davis .....Harbour Grace, Nfld.

PRIZES.

Literary Department.

1st Division.

1st Prize—James Steeves, Moncton, N. B.
2nd Prize—Vernor Jones, Pownel, P. E. I.

2nd Division.

1st Prize—Paul Duffy, Hillsboro, N. B.
2nd Prize—Minnie Taylor, St. John, N. B.

3rd Division.

1st Prize—Hollis Lindsay, Woodstock, N. B.
2nd Prize—Joseph Emino, Hebb's Cross, N. S.

4th Division.

1st Prize—Orland Slack, Folleigh Lake, N. S.
2nd Prize—Josie Sperry, Petite Riviere, N. S.

Musical Department.

1st Prize—Divided between Maude McTavish, North Esk, N. B., and Thomas Hubley, Halifax, N. S.
2nd Prize—Lucy Gammon, Tor Bay, N. S.

Prizes for Spelling Contests.

[Offered by Rev. Dr. Black and W. H. Wiswell, Esq., Halifax, N.S.]

1st Division.

Prize divided between Thos. Hubley, Halifax, N. S.
Walter Barnes, St. John's, Nfld.
George Corning, Brookville, N. S.

2nd Division.

1st Prize—Edward Riley, St. John, N. B.
2nd Prize—Lemuel Rushton, Londonderry, N. S.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

[For best general average, offered by Mrs. James Marshall.]

1st Prize—Lucy Gammon, Tor Bay, N. S.
2nd Prize—Minnie Taylor, St. John, N. B.

[Prize for best Essay, offered by Mrs. C. F. Fraser.]

Prize—Thomas Fletcher, DeBert, N. S.

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BY-LAWS, ART. 2.—The payment of five hundred dollars at one time shall constitute a benefactor of the Institution. Any person who has served for ten consecutive years as a member of the Board of Managers, or who shall have performed such services as the Board of Managers shall deem worthy of recognition, shall be entitled to be enrolled as a benefactor of the Institution.

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1897—W. G. C. Ketchum, C.E.
1897—Adam Burns.

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BY-LAWS, ART. 2.—Donors of twenty-five dollars at one time, and members who have served the office of Manager not less than three consecutive years, shall be constituted life members of the Institution.

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G. E. Faulkner, "
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BY-LAWS, ART. 2.—Any subscriber to the funds of the Institution to the amount of five dollars and upwards may be constituted a member of the Board of Managers at one of their regular meetings, and so continue during the annual payment of five dollars.

Prof. Chas. McDonald, Halifax.

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LEGACIES.

1866—Wm. Murdoch, Halifax	$19466	67
1871—Jane Molloy, Halifax	88	77
1872—Robert Noble, "	100	00
1874—R. Purvis, Pugwash	100	00
1875—Jas. McDonald Green Hill, Pictou	150	00
1876—Miss Jane M. Tonge, Windsor	20	00
1876—N. L. West, Halifax	809	00
1877—J. M. Walker, "	500	00
1878—W. L. Black, "	250	00
1879—Chas. Roche, "	100	00
Miss Service, "	400	00
1880—Mrs. Williamson, "	200	00
G. Frieze, Maitland	100	00
Ann Wilson, Halifax	100	00
1881—Ann Hunter, "	20	00
1882—John Saunders, Burlington, Hants Co.	416	33
John King, Halifax	600	00
W. P. West, "	1000	00
W. K. Reynolds, "	2000	00
1883—Joseph Hart, Baddeck	100	00
Mrs. G. Gunn, Halifax	40	00
1884—Hugh Elliott, "	100	00
Alex. McLeod, "	100	00
1885—James Thompson, "	100	00
H. Hesslein, "	100	00
1886—S. S. B. Smith, "	100	00
A. Shields, Dartmouth	553	00
James G. Merkell, Hfx	50	00
1887—J. C. McDonald, "	50	00
W. H. Merkell, "	50	00
1887—Jas. A. Buist, Halifax	500	00
Sir Wm. Young, "	10,000	00
Mrs. M. J. Hamilton "	50	00
" J. Northup, "	200	00
" E. Binney, "	500	00
1888—J. W. Metzler, "	40	00
J. U. Ross, "	50	00
1889—Mrs. W. L. Wilmot, Fredericton N. B	250	00
Miss Ellen Smith, Summerville, Hants Co.	16	75
James F. Avery, M.D., Halifax	500	00
S. A. White, Halifax	1000	00
John Gibson, "	1000	00
1890—Finlay Campbell, Charlttetown, P.E.I.	100	00
J. P. Mott, Halifax	20138	50
G. G. Gray, "	181	17
1891—John Naylor, "	526	75
M. P. Black, "	500	00
1893—Sir E. Kenny, "	400	00
A. K. Doull, "	1849	33
1894—Miss E. Cronan, "	100	00
Duncan Waddel, Dart.	375	52
1895—Miss E. Heales St. J'n.	200	00
Rev. Thomas DeWolf, Windsor	500	00
1896—Mrs. Keith, Halifax	200	00
Mons. Carmody, "	50	00
1897—W. G. C. Ketchum, C. E., Fredericton	500	00
Adam Burns, Halifax	250	00
1898—Lady Kenny, "	200	00

FORM OF LEGACY.

I hereby give and bequeath to "The Halifax School for the Blind," Halifax, Nova Scotia, and their successors, for ever (if real estate), all that, etc., (if personal), the sum of, etc., to be used for the general purposes of the Institution.

School for the Blind in Account with John Duffus, Treasurer.

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

1897. Dec. 4th.	By balance in bank	$ 42 02
1898. Dec. 3rd.	" Interest and Dividends	2268 44
	" Donations and Subscriptions	85 15
	" N. S. Government and Municipalities	9144 06
	" N. B. " "	3892 96
	" Newfoundland Government	1200 00
	" P. E. I. Government and City of Charlottetown.	449 24
		$17081 87

EXPENDITURE.

1898. Dec. 3rd.	To House expenses, including—	
	" Salaries to Matron, Steward, and Servants	$ 9455 61
	" Salaries Superintendent and Teachers	4229 51
	" Repairs to building	817 31
	" Grounds	580 06
	" Printing	359 44
	" Prizes	118 00
	" School Supplies	156 15
	" Sundry Expenses	305 99
	" Insurance	19 50
	" Contingent Account	381 41
	" Balance in Bank	185 79
		$17081 87

HALIFAX, Dec. 8, 1891.
Examined and found correct.

W. H. NEAL,
WM. ROBERTSON.

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

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1898. Dec. 3rd.	By Subscriptions paid during the year	$1285 20

DR.

1898. Dec. 3rd.	To Paid on Building	$ 122 86
	" Repaid Legacy Account	1162 34
		$1285 00

LEGACY ACCOUNT.

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1898.		
Dec. 3rd.	By Estate of the late Lady Kenny	$ 200 00
	" Building Fund	1162 34
	" Mortgage paid off	8500 00
		$9862 34

Dr.

1898.		
Dec. 3rd.	To Invested	$8743 75
	" Still on Deposit	1118 59
		$9862 34

RECAPITULATION.

1898.		
Dec. 3rd.	By Balance	$ 42 02
	" Revenue	17039 85
	" Legacies	8700 00
	" Building Fund	1285 20
		$27067 07

1898.		
Dec. 3rd.	To Current Expenses	$16896 08
	" Investments, etc	9862 34
	" Paid on Building	122 86
	" Balance in Bank	185 79
		$27067 07

DONATIONS AND THANKSGIVING COLLECTIONS.

United Church, New Glasgow	$57 75
Presbyterian Church, Earltown	5 40
Mrs. C. C. Blackadar, Halifax	5 00
Prof. McDonald, Halifax	5 00
Mrs. Kennedy, Windsor	5 00
Presbyterian Congregation, Englishtown	4 00
Baptist Congregation, Guysboro	3 00
	$85 15

SUBSCRIPTIONS TOWARDS THE BUILDING FUND OF THE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The Board of Managers of the School for the Blind, in acknowledging the following subsciptions towards the Building Fund of the Institution, desires to express its sincere thanks to those who have so liberally contributed towards the enlargement of the School, and also wishes to place on record its appreciation of the kindly efforts of the ladies and gentlemen who have in any way helped to increase this most necessary fund, and also to the societies which have given the institution such timely assistance.

Previously acknowledged	$19504 83	J. D. Fraser, Ferrona, N. S., on acct.	5 00
Estate of the late Adam Burns, Halifax, on acct.	125 00	G. E. Jost, Guysboro, N. S.	20 00
Black Bros., Halifax	50 00	H. M. Jost, "	21 00
Woodside Refinery, Halifax	40 50	J. B. North, Hantsport, N. S.	20 00
Hector McInnis, "	25 00	George Churchill, " on acct.	5 00
Hon. D. McKeen, "	25 00	W. H. Duffy, Hillsboro, N. B.	5 00
A Friend, "	25 00	B. Webster, Kentville, N. S., bal.	12 50
N. S. Refinery, "	23 50	Zion Church, Liverpool, N. S.	6 20
Mrs. Allison Smith, " on acct.	20 00	A. W. Moren, " on acct.	5 00
F. H. Oxley, " "	15 00	C. & W. Whitney, Lunenburg, N. S.	5 00
G. A. Thompson, "	5 00	Joshua Peters, Moncton, N. B., on acct.	10 00
Miss Allison, "	5 00	A. C. Chapman, Moncton, N. B.	5 00
E. Davidson, "	5 00	Geo. Armstrong, Middleton, N. S.	5 00
J. R. Monte, "	5 00	Blowers Archibald, North Sydney, N. S.	5 00
J. F. Frame, " on acct.	5 00	A. C. Bell, New Glasgow, N. S., on acct.	10 00
Rev. E Ansell, Arichat, N. S. "	5 00	G. R. Chisholm, Pictou, N. S., on acct.	15 00
John McKeen, Amherst, N. S., bal.	15 00	H. Primrose, Pictou, N. S., on acct.	5 00
J. M. Townsend, " on acct.	10 00	E. McPhail, " on acct.	5 00
A. W. Moffat, " "	5 00	D. Logan, " on acct.	5 00
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Thos. Dunlap, " "	5 00	Chas. Smith, "	5 00
J. A. Dickey, " "	5 00	M. McGregor, M.D., Ritchie's Cove, N. S., on acct.	10 00
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W. A. Weeks, " on acct.	5 00		
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Mrs. A. L. Twining, " on acct.	5 00		

W. H. McIntosh, St. Barton, N. S.	5 00
Small Sums "	5 00
Employes Cumberland Coal & Railway Co., Springhill, N. S.	11 00
A. E. Fraser, Springhill, N. S., on acct.	15 00
J. V. Ellis, St. John, N. B., bal.	15 00
J. D. Hazen, St. John, N. B.	5 00
Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, St. John, N. B.	5 00
Martin Dickey, Truro, N. S.	25 00
A. S. Black, "	25 00
R. F. Black, "	25 00
Archdeacon Kaulback	25 00
Hugh McKenzie,	10 00
Rev. J. W. Falconer,	10 00
H. E. Stanfield, "	10 00
A. H. Smith, "	5 00
Dr. J. H. McKay, "	5 00
H. A. Lovett, "	5 00
James Wentworth, "	5 00
R. A. Tremain, " on acct.	5 00
Dr. Thos. McKay, Truro, N. S.	5 00
Dav. Muir, M.D., "	5 00
Mrs. J. B. Dickie, " on acct.	5 00
C. B. Archibald, "	5 00
H. J. Kent, "	5 00
J. A. Dickson, " on acct.	5 00
R. T. Craig, "	5 00
Mrs. F. George, Union Square, N. S.	5 00
G. F. Munroe, Westville, N. S., on acct.	15 00
Wm. Johnson, "	5 00
F. E. Hay, Woodstock, N. B., on acct.	5 00
J. D. Dickinson, "	5 00
Rufus Curry, Windsor, N. S.	100 00
J. A. Russell, " on acct.	5 00
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Mrs. G. P. Payzant, "	5 00
Wm. Payzant, "	5 00
W. K. Dimock, "	5 00
F. W. Dimock, " on acct.	5 00
John Douglass, "	5 00
	$2075 03

AN ACT

Respecting the Education of the Blind of Nova Scotia.

Chapter 1, 1895.

1.—The parent or guardian of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty-one years who has, under the provisions of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, a settlement in any municipality, may apply to the warden of such municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind, which order the said warden shall at once grant under his hand and the corporate seal of the municipality, on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed, and has a legal settlement in the municipality.

2.—Such order shall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School for the Blind, and, subject to conditions hereinafter described, to be educated and boarded therein during the School terms. Pupils entering the School between the ages of six and ten years shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time in attendance under ten years of age; those entering between the ages of ten and thirteen years of age shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years: and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years to remain three years.

3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School for the Blind pursuant to this chapter and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasury at the rate of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half yearly, and also to receive annually at the same rate from the county school fund of the municipality to which the said blind person belongs. When such municipality shall not comprise an entire county, the last mentioned grant of seventy-five dollars shall be charged against the county school funds of both districts included within the county in proportion to the amounts of their respective school allowance derived from the county school fund.

4. It shall be the duty of the Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind to furnish semi-annually to the Council of Public Instruction full returns of the names, ages, residences, etc., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5. In the annual apportionment of the county school fund the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the treasury of the respective municipalities.

6.—The Provincial Secretary shall be *ex officio* a member of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind.

7. In the case of any incorporated city or town within the Province in which any such blind person as is designated in the first sub-section of this section, has a legal settlement, an allowance to the Board of Managers of the said school of seventy-five dollars per annum shall be assessed upon the inhabitants of the said city or town in case such city or town does not contribute to or draw from the county school fund, and in such case said sum shall be paid to the said managers for each such blind person sent to the said school, and each such blind person shall be admitted to said school in the manner prescribed in the first sub-section of this section, the chief executive officer of the corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the warden of the municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person for which such city or town contributes such allowance the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third sub-section of this section.

8.—The Council of Public Instruction, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her education, may, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, make the provisions of this section apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years of age. Such action of the Council of Public Instruction shall entitle the blind person to be received in the School on the same terms as persons mentioned in sub-sections 1 and 2 of this section.

9.—The Council of Public Instruction shall have authority upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of this section.

10.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the

Halifax School for the Blind, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any county or district of the Province, as required by sub-section 1 of this section, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay or agree to pay to the Board of Managers of the said School the same sum as is allowed from the Provincial Treasury in the case of a person admitted under the provisions of the said sub-section.

11. – The parents or guardians of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty-one years, who have not the settlement referred to in sub-section 1, may nevertheless apply to the warden of the municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind; and if the warden be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has *bona fide* settled in the municipality, with the intention of remaining, the warden may grant such order, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said sub-section.

AN ACT

Relating to the Education of the Blind in New Brunswick.

Chap. VIII., Acts of the General Assembly, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly as follows:

1. The Parents or Guardians of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty one years, who has, under the provisions of Chapter 102 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, a settlement within any County or City of the Province, may apply to the Warden of the Municipality, or the Mayor of the City, for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Governor in Council, and the said Warden or Mayor on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed and has a legal settlement in the Municipality or City, shall at once grant such order for admission as aforesaid under his hand and the corporate seal of the Municipality or City, and forward the same to the Provincial Secretary for his approval to be endorsed thereon.

2. Such order so approved by the Provincial Secretary shall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and subject to conditions hereafter to be prescribed, to be educated and boarded therein during the school terms. Pupils under thirteen years of age, when entering the school, shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years; and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years to remain three years.

3. For every blind person received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind, approved, as aforesaid, pursuant to this Act, and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of such School or Institution for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasurer, at the rate of seventy five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receive at the same rate from the County School Fund of the Municipality to

which the said blind person belongs. This section to apply to the blind persons in attendance at the Halifax Institution at the time of the passing of this Act.

4. The Board of Managers of the said Halifax School, or other Institution for the Blind approved as aforesaid, shall furnish semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each year, to the Chief Superintendent of Education of the Province of New Brunswick, full returns of the names, ages, residences, attendance, etc., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5. In the semi-annual apportionment of the County School Fund, the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of any Institution for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the Treasurers of the respective Municipalities.

6—In the case of any incorporated City or Town within the Province in which any blind person, as is designated in the first Section of this Act, has a legal settlement, and which City or Town does not contribute to or draw from the County School Fund, there shall be paid by such City or Town to the Board of Managers of the said School an allowance of seventy-five dollars per annum, and such sum shall form part of the general assessment of such City or Town for each blind person sent to said School, and each such blind person sent to the said School shall be admitted to the said School in the manner prescribed in the first Section of this Act, the chief executive officer of the Corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the Warden of the Municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person, for which such City or Town contributes such allowance, the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third Section of this Act.

7.—The parents or guardian of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years who have or has not the settlement referred to in Section one of this Act may, nevertheless, apply to the Warden of a Municipality or the Mayor of a City for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and if the Warden or Mayor of a City be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has *bona fide* settled in the Municipality or City with the intention of remaining, the Warden or Mayor may grant such order in manner and form as prescribed in the first Section of this Act, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said Section.

8. In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any County or District of the Province as required by Section one of this Act, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay or agree to pay to the Board of Managers of the said School, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum from the Provincial Treasury.

56 Vic., Cap. 20.

An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, entitled "An Act relating to the Education of the Blind," the Lieutenant-Governor in-Council, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province of New Brunswick, and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her education, may, by Order-in Council, make the provisions of said Act apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years, and such order shall specify the Municipality in which said blind person has a settlement, and upon which he or she shall be chargeable. Such Order-in-Council shall entitle the blind person mentioned therein to be received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or any other Institution for the Blind, on the same terms as persons mentioned in the first and second sections of the said Act.

2. Blind persons over the age of twenty-one years so received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or other Institution for the Blind, approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council under the provisions of the preceding section, shall (subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council) be entitled to remain three years.

3. The Lieutenant Governor-in-Council shall have authority by Order-in Council, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the Education of the Blind," or of this Act in amendment thereof.

59 Vic., Cap. 13.

An Act to amend an Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

1.—Section 1 of the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, is hereby amended by erasing the word "ten" in the second line thereof.

2.—Pupils entering the School between the ages of six and ten years, shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time in attendance under ten years of age.

Application for admission to the School for the Blind, and all correspondence, should be addressed to—

C. F. FRASER,

Superintendent.